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Cynthia T. Brown
Chief, Section of Administration
Office of Proceedings
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street SW
Washington, DC 20024

Re: STB Docket No. AB-318 (Sub-No. 7X)
Louisiana & Delta Railroad, Inc.
--Petition for Discontinuance Exemption--
In Lafourche Parish, LA
Notice of Consummation

Dear Ms. Brown:

By notice served November 14, 2011, the Board gave notice that the exemption to discontinue service by Louisiana & Delta Railroad, Inc. ("LDRR") over a portion of the Lockport Branch between milepost 1.7 near Raceland and milepost 14.2 near Jay 9th the "Subject Line"), would become effective December 14, 2011. *See also* decision served December 13, 2011 at p.1 n.1. No petitions for stay or petitions to reopen the requested discontinuance exemption were filed.

LDRR is hereby providing notice pursuant to 49 CFR §1152.50(e) and §1152.29(e)(2), to the extent required for discontinuance of authority, that it is exercising the authority granted in this proceeding, and is consummating the discontinuance of service with respect to the Subject Line as of December 31, 2011. WPRR is discontinuing common carrier service, is terminating its station listings and canceling its tariffs, and intends that the Subject Line be removed from the interstate rail network.

The discontinuance does not affect the remainder of the Lockport Branch between milepost 0.1 and milepost 1.7 which LDRR will continue to operate.

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Pursuant to 49 CFR § 1152.29(e)(2), LDRR certifies that a copy of this Notice of Consummation has been sent to the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, Marine and Rail [Rail Division]. A copy has also been sent to Lafourche Parish and to counsel for Union Pacific Railroad Company, BNSF Railway Company, and Valentine LLC.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric M. Hocky", is written over the typed name.

Eric M. Hocky

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